



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16–22

TIME AFTER PENTECOST — LECTIONARY 29

Year B, Complementary Series

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

A reading from Isaiah.

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases,

yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter
and like a ewe that is silent before the shearers,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with affliction.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and shall bear their iniquities. ▶

¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out himself to death
and was numbered with the transgressors,
yet he bore the sin of many
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Word of God, word of life. *or* The word of the Lord.

PSALMODY: Psalm 91:9-16

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

A reading from Hebrews.

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals
is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf,
to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

²The high priest is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward,
since he himself is subject to weakness,

³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins
as well as for those of the people.

⁴And one does not presume to take this honor
but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest
but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son;
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as God says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh,
Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears,
to the one who was able to save him from death,
and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered,

⁹and having been made perfect,
he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him,

¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45

The holy gospel according to Mark.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him,
“Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.”

³⁶And Jesus said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?”

³⁷And they said to him, “Appoint us to sit,
one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”

³⁸But Jesus said to them,

“You do not know what you are asking.

Are you able to drink the cup that I drink
or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?”

³⁹They replied, “We are able.”

Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink,
and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized,

⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint,
but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.

⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them,

“You know that among the gentiles
those whom they recognize as their rulers are domineering,
and their great ones are tyrants over them.

⁴³But it is not so among you;

instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,

⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.

⁴⁵For the Son-of-Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The gospel of the Lord.